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Serial Nos.

Part B for January 1920

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Removal or reduction on the export of food grains from the State

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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FILE HEADING.

Removal of restrictions on the Export of food grains from the State

From

The H. A. Resident

No. 7648 Dated 7 10 19 Received 8 10 19

Diary No. 6738	Enclos. one Spare Copies.	Serial No. 28

With ✓ BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

~~Acknowledgement~~ reference to correspondence ending with this office letter no PA 7 of 4.7.19, forwards a copy of letter of 23rd Sept 19 from the Govt of India requesting to be favored with the opinion of the Durbar regarding the removal of the ~~export~~ embargo on the

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Export of food grains, with effect from 1st Nov 19.

Such will refer

Mr 2 Nov ~~Govt~~ point for Consideration

9/10/19 Note is whether Mysore may

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accept the suggestion in para 2 of the Govt of India letter (enclosure to the paper under disposal) No 938-Fr S of 23-9-19. that the prohibition of the export of bajra (Spanish millet, Kambu) and Jowar (Jola) may be removed by the beginning of November

3 The G-of I. do not suggest similar relaxation of control now, in respect of ragi.

4 Some Jolam crop has been realised recently, but it has not materially eased the situation. The next Jola crop may not be coming in October as appears to stated to be the case in Certain Bri: Indian Provinces

5 The monsoon so far, has been fairly propitious and if it continues favourable, relaxation of control may be possible in Jan 4, but not earlier

6 The Govt of India may probably be informed

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that the local harvest ~~Crop~~ Commence only in Dec^{r}, ~~and~~ that new grain does not ordinarily Come into the market till January and that in view of local Circumstances, the Govt would prefer to decide the matter ~~in the~~ at the end of Dec^{r}. This may however be informed that ~~the~~ practically no restrictions exist on traffic within the State & that if the harvests prove satisfactory, as is now expected, the Govt will be prepared to follow the lead of the G. of I in regard to relaxing control.

May the Food Controller of Bef^{a} S. be Consulted a. o. ?

Asst
9-10-19

Chief Sec^{y}

I. above

My
10/10/19

P 6736/8 forwarded with Compli- ments to the Food Controller in reply to his demi-official of 9th inst.

By order

Assistant Secretary to Govt

Recd P. M. 10 10 19
Camp Mysore 10 10 19
Chief Sec^{y}'s oral instructions
May be returned with the F.C's
opinion

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ASH
11.10.19
Asst Secy to Govt

Mar
13-10-19

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C.O. 57 dated 16-11-19
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9. Returned with compliments.

10. The principal harvest in Mysore, not only of rice, but also of ragi, come in the month of December. The ragi and jolum crop that are reaped in August and September form a very small percentage of the total food production of the State. It is probably for this reason that although these early harvests have been reaped, and although a good harvest in Dec^r is practically assured, prices still remain very high, and supplies to markets and the principal towns still fall short of the demand. Moreover, it is chiefly on account of the shortage of dry grains that we are compelled to import large stocks of rice from Burma. So long as imports from Burma are restricted, there is, in my opinion, the necessity for preventing or restricting the Export of the principal dry grains, viz., ragi, jola and navane. As regards the minor food grains such as Black gram, green gram, and chillies the embargo may be removed from 1st Nov^r. There are pretty good stocks of horsegram available in the State, and much demand for this commodity in Madras and Bombay. I am in favour of allowing Export of horsegram also from

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1st Novr, although we must be prepare for an immediate rise in its price. There is very little justification for keeping up the embargo on horsegram, as people have nowhere been driven (as was feared would be the case) to eat horsegram as a partial substitute for rayi: and we need not deprive our ryots of the benefit of the high prices ruling outside.

Macmillan
16 Oct 1919 Food Controller

Discussed by Dr C

'as at present Controlled'

not included in exemptions

11 Subs for orders

Chetty

16-10-19.

Cannot an Order under which may be issued on 1st Novr.

17/10/19

12 Draft Subs as instructed in person

Chetty

18-10-19

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
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Dewan

13 I concur in removing export embargo on horse-gram as proposed.

20-10-19

20/10/19

14 I have added horsegram to the four food grains. May draft a revised issue - Rest has crossed

21.10.19

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reminder -

Dewan CRS 24/10/19

15 Draft approved by Mr Dewan CRS 24/10

16 Issue CRS 24/10/19

32 To Mr A. Resident PR no 413 & 21.10.19

With reference to the statement that the restrictions on the exporting all cereals except rice, ragi, Jolam, Navane & Korrapram will be removed from 1st Nov 19, & the question of removing control on the said cereals will be considered after December next -

17. A draft letter removing the restrictions on the foodstuffs above referred to - is submitted

Reg 23/10/19 Chief Sec

It is for orders, whether it may issue now or only after a reply is received from the Govt intimating the decision thereon

Dy Sec to Govt 23-10-19.

18 We may await communication from Govt

Dewan 27.10.19 CRS 27/10/19

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
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GPI:—70,000—17-12-15

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35 From the Food Controller in Mysore
No 6885 of 20th Oct 19
Requests that the proposal of Central Food Supplies Committee regarding the removal of the embargo on the export of all food grains. except rice, ragi, jola & Navane from 1st Nov 19 may be approved -
20 A draft reply is put up herein
the 21 Oct 19
30-10-19

36 To
The Food Controller
No. F. 9430 of 30.10.19 in Mysore.
For copy of letter no 8613 addd to in M 32 and States that the Communication from the Residency is awaited and Govt do not intend to remove the restrictions in respect of horse gram from November

38 From the Food Controller
No 7204 of 1st Nov 19
With reference to the above

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forwards a copy of a telegram from Govt of India regarding the decision of the Govt of India to remove restrictions in regard to the movement of foodstuffs except wheat Bengal gram & rice from Govt of Navy & requests that a note may be issued removing the embargo on the export of foodstuffs from the state except rice, Jola, Navane, horsegram, wheat & Bengal gram.

2. The draft note already put up is subd. ~~to meet the modification re: Bengal gram & wheat suggested by the Dewan Chiefs.~~

1/11/19 — We are not exporters of wheat & Bengal gram & there is no objection in our Continuing restrictions on them in the G. of I. telegram says "Gram" & not "Bengal gram" & in order with the Draft—

(Chief Secretary) 1-11-19.

Dewan)

My Draft approved by Dewan 2/11

DEWAN'S OFFICE
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Gram "Bengal gram" or "horsegram" gram means bengal gram

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42	To The Compiler Mysore Gazette No. G. 9885 dt 6.11.1919 Withdraws with effect from 6.11.19 the existing prohibitions or restrictions for the export either by road or by rail of Green gram, Black gram, Tuvar Dhal, Chillies, grain and fodder outside the State. To The Revenue Commissioner — I. G. of Police in Mysore — Food Controller & Dy C.S. — Presidents B & Civil in Mysore — Dy. Comrs Municipalities — Dy. Comr & Dist. — Agent- Mysore Railways No. G. 9886-900 dt 6.11.1919 Forwards Copies of the above
43	From the Dr of C.S. in Mysore No 7291 dt 3.11.19 Forwards a copy of letter dt 31st Oct 19 from the Dr of C.S. Bombay & of his reply thereto regarding the free booking by rail of all grains other than wheat rice & grain-

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Serial No. 44

From the P. A. Resident
No 8534 & 4.11.19.
With refee to sl 32 states that
Govt of India have decided that
as from 1st Nov 19, the existing re-
strictions as movements by rail
within India of flour, gram &
pulse other than wheat, gram &
rice. will be relaxed
No sls 43 44 and 0 in pensal
~~[illegible]~~.

Mg
6/11/19
(Chiefsec).
Dewan

MM
6/11

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on NOV 10 1919
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cbz
Mg

Mg.
14.11.19

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Serial No. 51

From

The Food Controller in Mysore

No. 7642 G. 17.11.1919

With reference to Sl no 42 Submits a copy of the resolution of the Central Food Supplies Committee proposing that the Control over Horsegram may also be removed as a very good crop is expected and proposes that the same may be removed with effect from 1st December 1919 Submitted

D 19/11/19.

29 Chief Secy's orders on the linked file

Put up the comm from the F.C. with a draft order & submit to Dewan"

P.P 26-19 ces 30 A

30 A draft Notn removing control over horsegram from 1st Dec 19 is put up

Sd

Dewan

21/11/19

31 Draft approved by Dewan

Inform F.C. Do accordingly, but issue the notn only on 27th & 28

CSK

21.11.1919

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on NOV 19 1919
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23 Draft D.O for sign up
by
22/11/19 Sign issue above
Hrd
22-11-19

Notfn issue on 27-11-19 Hrd

24 To
The Food Controller
in Mysore
No G 11741 of 22.11.1919
States that Govt approve of the resolution refd to in M 2057 and the notification will issue on or about the 27th instant

25 To the Compiler, Mysore Gazette
No G 125-26 of 27.11.19 from 1.12
Notifies the withdrawal of the restrictions for the export of horsegram across the State

Memo No G 125-27-40 of 27.11.19
Copy to the New Commr Rly Police, Bgloe, Personal Asst to Commr, Mysore Rep-
25 Draft & the necessary
the matter for sign up
by
1/12/19 No Issue above
Hrd
2-12-19

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N.D. File No. 26 1191 9

Serial No.	
28	The FCs proposal may be adopted Dewang CBS 11/12/19 Bm 12/19
29	No objn - Can Emm then etc by the Legislature and min Stm FC. Cent.
30	Draft notfn. 12.12.19 Bm 13-12-19
31	Draft notfn for Govt. (The restrictions on the 3 Articles to be withdrawn from 1st Jan 1920) MZ 15/12/19 Bm 15-12-19 Checked 3 Issue CBS 17/12/19 Bm

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P P File No. 26 1191 9

Serial No.

64 To

The Compiler Mysore Gazette
No. S. 13980 9 18.12.1919
Cancels the restrictions
for the export of Wheat, Bengalgram
and Navane outside the State either
by road or by rail with effect
from 1st Jan 1920.

To

The Revenue Comr
- I. G. of Police in Mysore
- Food Controller in Mysore
President of Bangalore Municipality
- Dy Comrs of Dists
- Asst Mysore Rys
No S. 13981-94 9 18.12.19
Ten copies of the above

33 Draft to A-R-Secd
Mz
23/12/19 84 Secretary
23-12-19

65 To

The F. A. Resident
No. Pol 62 9 23.12.19
Intimates M no 64

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Serial No. 66

From

The Food Controller in Mysore

no. 8638 of 25.12.1919

Submits copy of telegram no. 11957/FS. of 23rd instant from the Food Stuffs Comr re Continuance of the restrictions on inter provincial movement of rice by rail for the present and removal of the same before the end of January 1920.

35 Subd ~~[illegible]~~ for perusal

D 26-12-19.

Dewan).

Bm
26-12-19

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on DEC 27 1919
Reg. No. 4371

36 Secn.

Recd
30.12.19.
Bm
31.12.19

Govt Bm

37 A Draft Notfn re-imposing restrictions on horse gram as subd for approval as directed in Council on 8-1-20

Draft D.B.A.R. also put up

Bm
9-1-20

Chief Secy

Dewan

36 Appd by Dewan 9/1/20
Secretary 9-1-20

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | P. P File No. 26 of 1919

Serial No.	
73	To the Commissioner, Nyaung Gaung Memo No G 1536 dt 9.1.20: Intimating that Queen that horse-races shall not be permitted outside the state without a licence.
	To the R.C., Legaing, Taungdwingyi, Myingyan, Pakokku & Chin Hills, Meiktila & Akyab, Nyaung Up No G 1537-5-15 dt 9.1.20 Forwards copies of the above
75	To the T.A. Resident PM No 736 dt 10.1.1920 Intimating that restrictions on the export of horse-gram, have since been withdrawn
76	From the T.A. Resident No 131 dt 8-1-1920. States that the Govt of India have decided that the present restrictions on inter-provincial movements of rice by rail will be continued for the present & that they will not be removed

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	before the end of Jan 1920
29	Sd. for perusal with reference to 66
	Chief Secretary) seen

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Pol 645

GEN. & Rev.
P. S.
7 - OCT 1919

DIARY NO. 6738 19

R. O. 2.—R. P. B.—9-1919.—2,000

Encl. 1. 7648

FROM

MAJOR C. T. C. PLOWDEN, I. A.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Pol 840

Dated Bangalore, 7th October 19 19.

SIR.

I am directed to invite a reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. Pol.7, dated the 4th July 1919, - regarding the restrictions imposed by the Durbar against the - export of certain food grains.

2. I am now to forward a copy of a letter No. 938-F., dated the 23rd September 1919, from the Government of India in the Department of Revenue and Agriculture, and to request that the Hon'ble the Resident may kindly be informed whether, in the circumstances set forth in that letter, the Durbar will consider the withdrawal of such embargo as still exists on the export of food grains, with effect from the 1st November 1919.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

First Assistant Resident

Letter No. 938-F.S., dated the 23rd September 1919 from the Joint Secretary to the Government of India, Department of - - Revenue & Agriculture, (Foodstuffs Branch), to All Local Governments and Administrations, (except Burma).

The Government of India are now considering their future policy in regard to food control in India, and in this letter I am directed to address you on the subject of internal control over the movements of food-grains in India.

2. Before dealing with the question of relaxing the present measures of control, it may be as well to state briefly what arrangements are in force:--

(a) Wheat, gram, and rice. These grains may not be moved from one province to another save within the limits of the allotments sanctioned each month by the Government of India. The procedure is that the Director of Civil Supplies of the importing province issues certificates on exporting provinces up to the limit of the amount sanctioned by the Government of India. The certificates, however, are not honoured by the railway until the countersignature of the Director of Civil Supplies of the exporting province has been obtained. Except in Madras, where a shorter period is in force, the period of validity of a certificate is 21 days.

(b) Uncontrolled grains. In British provinces Local Governments have no power to prohibit the export of these grains. The Director of Civil Supplies of importing provinces are at liberty to issue certificates for their requirements, and these certificates do not require the countersignature of the Director of Civil Supplies of the exporting province. But Directors of Civil Supplies are - - expected to work in consultation with one another and to avoid issuing certificates on scarcity areas on areas where stocks are known to be low.

(c) Inter provincial movements. Local Governments have full power in consultation with the railways concerned to restrict movements of food grains from one district to another It is believed that such restrictions have been enforced on a considerable scale in Madras and the Central Provinces only and that in the latter province they have already been almost entirely relaxed.

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3. As the Hon'ble Sir Claude Hill explained in his speech on the 19th February in the Indian Legislative Council, these restrictions were necessitated by the congestion on the railways, and the Government of India do not propose to discuss at any length the question how the system of control which circumstances compelled them to impose has worked in actual practice. It is probable that the measures taken have tended to reduce speculation, to conserve supplies, to keep down prices in exporting provinces and to facilitate price control in importing provinces. On the other hand, the Government of India have always recognised that the system has certain disadvantages. It afford opportunities for bribery and corruption, and there is reason to believe that it is increasingly lending itself to evasion. The delays inseparable from the certificate system hamper trade operations which often depend on the immediate seizure of a favourable opportunity, and when, as not infrequently has been the case merchants who have been accustomed to buy in one province have been unavoidably diverted to another, the difficulty of forming new trade at short notice has led, in some cases, to the priority certificates not being implemented and to failure of supplies which may have been urgently required. It is obvious that the system is open to objection in that it hampers and embarrasses trade and the Government of India have always kept before them the desirability of allowing trade to resume its normal course andof leaving the movement of food-grains within India to the regulation of the ordinary laws of supply and demand as soon as the railway position and the agricultural outlook justifies this step.

4. The Railway Board who have been consulted report that as far as can be foreseen at present the transportation position on the railways should be easier during the next twelve months than it has been for several years past, and they consider that from the railway point of view there is no longer any necessity to retain the priority certificate system. The Board, it may be mentioned, has already felt justified in abolishing the post of Controller of Traffic and in dispensing with priority certificates except in respect of a very limited list of articles.

5. Similarly, agricultural prospects are at present hope-

hopeful. As the showers which are normally received at the end of this month are essential for the maturing of the kharif crop and for the germination of the rabi crops, it is too early to speak with absolute confidence, but it may fairly be said that prospects are at present encouraging. Some areas are still causing anxiety, but judging by the reports which have been received from the different provinces and States, the Government of India hope that within a very short time an excellent kharif will be assured over the greater part of India.

6. They are of opinion therefore that it should now be considered whether preliminary steps should not be taken towards the relaxation of control in India and the restoration of normal trade conditions. They are aware of course, that the effect of a premature relaxation of food control in the United Kingdom was a rise of prices in respect of some foodstuffs, and that His Majesty's Government have found it necessary not only to re-impose control, but also to undertake drastic legislation against profiteering. But conditions in the United Kingdom differ materially from those in India. The United Kingdom is primarily an industrial country dependent on foodstuffs imported from abroad. India is essentially an agricultural country which not only is self-supporting in the matter of foodstuffs but also ordinarily exports grain. Moreover, food control in the United Kingdom was far more stringent than the measures adopted in India and the relaxation of control in this country should not be followed by the same rise of prices as in the United Kingdom.

7. Still experience in the United Kingdom indicates the need for caution, especially in view of the present high level of food prices in India and of the fact that food stocks must ~~not~~ now be seriously depleted. It has already been announced therefore in the Imperial Legislative Council that the Government of India have no intention of removing the embargo on the export of wheat at any rate before the next harvest unless in the meantime prices have dropped considerably. The same policy will be pursued in regard to gram, barley and jowar. Export will not be allowed except under license before next spring, and the question whether the embargo can then be removed will be

decided with reference to the character of the harvest and the ~~trend~~ kind of prices. It has already been decided that the Burma rice control should be maintained until the new crop comes in, and the question of the policy to be adopted in regard to exports of rice from Burma next year is at present under consideration and will shortly form the subject of a reference to the Government of Burma. Whatever policy be adopted in regard to exports from Burma, however, the Government of India doubt whether exports of rice from Indian ports, except perhaps in limited quantities can be allowed next year, and they propose to consult the Local Governments concerned on this question.

8. These measures should have the result of conserving for India the surplus foodgrains which ordinarily are exported and which amount, on the average of the five years ending 1917-1918, to more than 3 million tons, and provided that the crops are favourable in the current year, they should tend to bring down prices and to enable stocks to be replenished. The Government of India, therefore, think that, provided that the process of decontrol is not too sudden, internal measures of control within India can safely be relaxed.

9. Those Local Governments which have adopted measures of inter-provincial control will doubtless consider the advisibility of relaxing this control at an early date as a preliminary to further measures of relaxation. The Government of India consider that the next step should be to dispense with certificates for the movement of uncontrolled grains and flour. This suggestion has already been made by more than one Director of Civil Supplies, and except possibly in Madras, it is thought that the entire withdrawal of control in respect of these grains will make little practical difference. The Government of India suggest that this step should be taken with effect from the 1st November by which time the bajra, maize and marua (or ragi) crops should have been reaped over the greater part of India, and stocks of jowar should be coming out in view of the approaching harvest of the kharif jowar crops. By the beginning of November those States which have prohibited the export of jowar and bajra will no doubt be willing to remove the embargo, and they will be addressed on this point.

10. If this proposal is accepted, the Government of India

suggest that it should be followed up by the relaxation in December of the present restrictions on the movement by rail within India of wheat, gram and rice. They would prefer to relax control over wheat and gram at the beginning of December, but before coming to a final decision they will await the views of Local Governments. In respect of rice there are some advantages in retaining control till the end of the month. In the first place, it has already been decided that the control over the rice market in Burma will be continued at any rate till the end of December next, and the Government of Burma has already urged upon the Government of India that control in Burma -- presupposes control in India and that it would not be fair to the merchant, the miller and the cultivator in Burma to relax control in India while retaining it in Burma. Further, though the harvest of some of the big rice crops of India begins in December, it is not till January that the new crop begins to come on the market in large quantities. The Government of India, as at present advised, are therefore disposed to retain control over rice till the end of the year.

11. It is, of course, impossible to forecast with confidence what the effect on prices will be of the relaxation of control over wheat, gram and rice. In some provinces the price of these grains is believed to have been kept up in a spirit of speculation and it is possible that the removal of control may give a fillip to such speculation. It is equally possible that the contrary effect may ensue in leading the speculators to believe that the Government is satisfied as to the sufficiency of stocks. Theoretically, however, relaxation should result in a general levelling of prices throughout India, and having regard to the prices of these food-grains in various important markets in India, the Government of India do not think that decontrol should necessarily be followed by any serious jump in prices.

12. When railway priority certificates have been abolished, it will be arranged with the Railway Board that railways should, if required by Local Governments, give a general preference to food-grains and it would probably be advisable, especially in provinces where the railway position is still difficult, for Local Governments to arrange to retain for some time after control is removed the office

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of Director of Civil Supplies. The Director of course need not be a whole time officer. What is wanted is that some officer such as the Director of Industries should be nominated as Director of Civil - - Supplies. He would not be empowered to issue certificates. But merchants who had difficulties in obtaining wagons for food-grains would appeal to him for assistance, and if he thought that assistance was required, he would bring the case to the notice of the General Traffic Manager of the railway concerned, with whom he would work in close touch

13. I am to request that the Government of India may be furnished with the views of
with your views
on these proposals at the earliest possible date.

"C O P Y"

R E G I S T R A R,
RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

S.V.

Mr. 26-19
R 32
PR 413
R 21.10.19

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To

The First Assistant to the Hon'ble the
Resident in Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 7648 dated the 7th October 1919, regarding the withdrawl of the restrictions imposed on the export of food grains, from the 1st November next, I am directed to state as follows:--

2. At present, the marginally noted food stuffs are under control in this State. The Durbar have carefully reviewed the position in the light of the present seasonal and trade conditions enunciated by the Government of India, and their own declared policy of continuing control only so long as it is absolutely necessary in the public interest. In view of the action contemplated in British India, the Durbar ~~have decided~~ are willing to withdraw from the 1st November, the restrictions in respect of all the articles now under control excepting only rice, ragi cholum and navane & horsegram. As already stated in the several communications on the subject the stocks locally held of these first principal food grains are very low. In fact ~~the people are mainly depending on the imported Burma rice and ragi, jola and navane are only used to supplement their rice diet~~ large numbers of people who ordinarily live on dry grains for their food are now using the lower grades of imported Burma rice. The recent jola harvest has not added to the stock to any appreciable extent, and the harvests of rice and ragi in the State will commence only in the latter part of December. Further

Rice(including paddy)
Ragi
Cholum
Navane
Horsegram
Greengram
Black Gram
Tuvar Dhal
Chillies
Boiled rice, avalakki etc.
Wheat
Bengal gram.

Paddy chaw & fodder

* Moreover, it is chiefly on account of the shortage of dry grains that we are compelled to import large stock of rice from Burma.

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the new grains will not come into the market earlier than about the middle and of January. Under these circumstances, the Durbar are of the opinion that the control in respect of these grains should necessarily continue ~~till at least the end of December 1919 and~~ for some time longer, ie ~~the Durbar~~ they propose ~~therefore~~ to reconsider the situation in December with a view to the removal of restrictions ~~on them also from January if~~ from such date as it may be possible ~~to do so~~.

~~till at the least the end of December.~~

~~This also very necessary to retain control over horsegram~~

2. It will be seen from the above that the Durbar are prepared to remove the restrictions in respect of horsegram immediately instead of in December as suggested in paragraph 10 of the Government of India letter but desire to continue control of jolum (Jowar) till the end of December at least i.e., for the same period as is suggested by the Government of India in respect of rice. It is chiefly on account of the shortage in the stocks of dry grains that we are compelled to import large stocks of rice from Burma. ~~So long as imports from Burma are restricted, there will be the necessity for preventing or~~ Restriction of export of the principal dry grains viz., ragi, jola and navane from the State will therefore have to continue ~~so long as the Control of Burma rice Continues~~

I have etc.,

Chief Secy. to Govt.

DIARY NO. 7388

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Office of the Food Controller and
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore,

Bangalore, Dated 20th Octr. 1919.

From

K. MATTHAN, Esq., B.A.,
Food Controller and Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

23 OCT 1919

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,.
B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith copy of resolution No.4 passed at the meeting of the Central Food Supplies Committee held on the 17th instant and to request that the proposal contained therein regarding the removal of the embargo on the export of all food grains except rice, ragi, jola and navane from the 1st November 1919 may be kindly approved.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

K. Matthan

Food Controller & Director.

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Proceedings of the meeting of the Central Food Supplies Committee held in the Office of the Food Controller & Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore at 8-30 a.m. on Friday the 17th October 1919.

Subject No. 4.

Removal of restrictions re export of food grains and other Commodities.

The Chief Secretary to Government read the reference from the Residency in the matter and its enclosure viz., the memorandum received from the Government of India.

Resolution:- Resolved that the embargo on the export of Rice, Ragi, Jola and Navane should be continued at least till the close of December and the position re-examined later on and that on all the other commodities including horsegram it might be removed from 1st November.

'E X T R A C T'

For Food Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

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SUBJECT.....

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Date of issue 30/X

Signed by.....

Section

File No. VI 3 (1)

Serial No.

No. 19430 (1)

To The Food Controller & Dy C.S. in Mg

Sir,

With refee to your memo note No C.O.S.) of 16th Oct 1919 & all your subsequent ltrs no. 6853 of the 20th Idem, I am directed to forward herewith a copy of this office ltr

Save 4 of the notes

over

9 Nov 37/10

Pol 413 & 2nd Oct 1919

To the 7th A. Resident

in Mysore regarding the

removal of the embargo

on the export of food ~~grains~~ stuffs.

~~from the~~ and to state

that the ~~decision of the~~ reply Communication

~~Govt. dated~~ on the

from the No. 4

matters is awaited

2- ~~Govt do not~~ You will Govt do not intend to

remove the restrictions in respect of foodgrains ~~at present~~ from now

I have the

honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient

humble servant

List of enclosures.

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DIARY NO. 7982

IN REPLY REFER TO
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL SUPPLIES
IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, Dated 1st November 1919.

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F.S. Cell
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From

K. MATTHAN, Esq., B.A.,
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. G.9430/P.P. 26-19-36 of the 30th October 1919, regarding the removal of the embargo on the export of certain foodstuffs, I have the honour to submit herewith for the information of Government a copy of telegram received in this office yesterday regarding the decision of the Government of India to remove practically all restrictions in regard to the movement of foodstuffs except wheat, Bengal gram and rice with effect from the 1st November 1919. (The telegram was received in a mutilated condition and was taken back by the Telegraph office and has been received back to-day. It appears to be from the Secretary to the Government of India, Revenue and Agriculture Department).

2. In the light of the decision of the Government of India, I would request that a notification may be issued removing the control over the export of foodstuffs from the Mysore State except rice, ragi, jola, navane, horsegram, wheat and Bengal gram.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

KM/MPH.

Director of Civil Supplies.

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Simla Dated 30th October 1919.

Civisup, Bangalore

"1047 r.S. Government of India have decided that on and after November first 1919 existing restrictions on movements by rail within India of flour and grain and pulse other than wheat, gram and rice will be relaxed stop. Restrictions on movements of wheat, ~~grain~~ gram and rice will continue for the present.stop. These orders do not apply to Baluchistan or North West Frontier province stop Owing to heavy military traffic railway priority certificate will still berequired to support movement of traffic by North Western Railway to Stations within Baluchistan stop for the same reason priority certificates will still require for movements of food grains by North Western Railway into and out of North Western frontier province and internal traffic in foodstuffs and other civil traffic within that province will continue to be regulated in the same as at present. Indian Revenue".

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Copy,

MPH. Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

RF-26-19-42
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Notification

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to withdraw ~~from 1st November 1919~~ with effect from the date of this not the existing prohibitions or restrictions for the export by road or by rail of the marginally noted foodstuffs etc., outside the State, and accordingly direct that the orders issued in the following Notifications so far as these articles are concerned shall be cancelled with effect from that date.

Greengram
Blackgram
Tuvar Dhal
Chillies
~~Horse Gram~~
~~Bengal Gram~~
Grass and Fodder.

C Notification No. G.17458/P.P.134-18, dated 15-2-1919

B ,, G.16513/P.P.72-18-18, dated 7-2-1919

E ,, ~~G.2580/P.P.128-18, dated 1919~~

A ,, G. 7920/P.P. 26-19-28, dated 24-9-1919.

By Order,

Chief Secy. to Govt.

To The Compiler, Mysore Gazette.

Copy to

The Revenue Commissioner.
The Inspector General of Police
The Food Controller & Director of Civil Supplies
The Presidents, Bangalore & Mysore, City Municipal Councils.
The Deputy Commissioner of Districts.
The Agent, Mysore Railways.

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IN REPLY REFER TO
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL SUPPLIES
IN MYSORE,
Bangalore, Dated 3rd November 1919.

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From

K. MATTHAN, Esq., B.A.,
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore

Sir,

I have the honour to submit herewith a copy of letter No.D.C.S.9043 of the 31st October 1919, received from the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay and my reply thereto.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Director of Civil Supplies.

KM/MPH

Letter No.D.C.S.9043 dated 31st October 1919 from the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay, to the Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore, Bangalore.

I have the honour to enquire whether you will now allow free booking by rail of all grains other than wheat, rice and gram to this Presidency. If there is any objection to this, kindly inform me what system you consider desirable for import of grains other than these three to Bombay. I may remark that I have no objection to any consignee in this Presidency receiving such grains.

2. The Government of India have removed all control on movement by rail, except for wheat, rice and gram.

3. If you still wish to restrict export, I suggest you adopt the Central India system whereby all priority certificates are issued direct by the authorities of the exporting province. This will save trouble to this office

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL SUPPLIES
IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, Dated 3rd November 1919.

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From

K. MATTHAN, Esq., B.A.,
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

The Director of Civil Supplies,
B o m b a y.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.D.C.S.9043 of the 31st ultimo.

The Government of Mysore propose to retain control over the movements of ragi, jawar, navane and horsegram as well as wheat, gram and rice for some time more, but they intend to remove restrictions against export of other commodities, such as, black-gram, green-gram, Tuvar dhal, chillies, etc.

As soon as a notification in this behalf is issued by the Government, free booking of these commodities will be allowed and no priority certificates will berequired.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- K. Matthan,
Director of Civil Supplies.

KM/MPH

Copy.

Pol 583

DIARY NO. 82-T2

No. 8534

From

Major C. T. C. PLOWDEN, I

FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government

of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 4th November 1919..

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. Pol. 413, dated the 21st October 1919, regarding the withdrawal of the restrictions imposed on the movement of food grains, I am directed to state that the Government of India have decided that on and after November First 1919, existing restrictions on movements by rail within India of flour, grain and pulse other than wheat, gram and rice will be relaxed. Restrictions on movements of wheat, gram and rice will continue for the present. These orders do not apply to Baluchistan or the North West Frontier Province. Owing to heavy Military traffic railway Priority Certificates will still be required to support movements of traffic by North Western Railway to stations within Baluchistan. For the same reason Priority Certificates will still be required for movements of food grains by the North Western --

Railway into and out of the North West Frontier Province and internal traffic in foodstuffs and other civil traffic within that Province will continue to be regulated in the same way as at present.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

First Assistant Resident.

S.V.

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REPLY REFER TO
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Tel: Address.
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Office of the Food Controller and
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

Bangalore, Dated 17th NOV. 1919.

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From

K. MATTHAN, Esq., B.A.,

Food Controller and Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore

Sir,

With reference to Government Proceedings No. G.9885/P.P.26-19-42 dated 6th November 1919, removing the control over green gram, black gram, tuvar dhal, chillies, grass and fodder, I have the honour to submit herewith a copy of the resolution of the Central Food Supplies Committee at its meeting held this morning proposing that the control over horsegram may also be removed as a very good crop is expected. I would propose that the control may be removed with effect from the 1st December.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Food Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies.

KM/MPH.

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Proceedings of the meeting of the Central Food Supplies Committee held in the office of the Food Controller and Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore at 8-30 A.M. on Monday the 17th November 1919.

Subject No.3

Government memorandum removing control over green-gram, blackgram, tuvar dhal, chillies, grass and fodder.

Resolution:- Recorded. The committee consider that the control over horsegram may also be removed as avery good crop is expected.

Extract.

MPH.

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,
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Date of issue.....22/11.....

Signed by.....

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Section
File No. 17.2647
Serial No. 54

No. 41794

To K. Mathan Esq^r
Food Controller
in regn

Dear Sir

With refee to your
Ltr no. 9642 & 17th Nov
1919 I am desired to
inform you that Govt have approved
the resolution of
of the Food Supplies
Committee
to remove Control

over.

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over-measurement from 82 Dec 1919.
and that the necessary
notice will come on
about the 27th Inst
Yours &c

Adm
28-11-19

List of enclosure

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Notification

The Govt of H.H the Maharaja are pleased to announce with effect from the 1st Dec 1919, the exemption in such cases for the export of horse grain across the State either by rail or by road and accordingly direct that the areas named in the foregoing notns so far as this article is concerned shall be cancelled with effect from that date

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Notn no G 17458/P.P 134-18
dt 15-2-19

Notn G ~~KS13/P.P72-8~~
7920/P.P 26-19-28
dt 26 9 19

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To the Compiler Mysore Gazette

Copies to Cir 12527-40 dt 22/11

1) the Revenue
2) the Dy g Police
3) the T.C. & Dr g Cs
4) the Resident Bangalore
Mysore alg ML Canal
5) the Dy Comrs g Dks
6) the Accts Mysore Rys

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Date of issue 3rd Dec 1919

Signed by M.C.S.B. Iyer

Section P 26-19

File No. 5-8

Serial No.

No. Pol 607

To The 7 A- Resident

Sir,

With refee to correspondence ending with your letter no 85-34 of 4th Nov 1919 and in continuation of my letter no. Pol 413 of 21st Oct 1919 regarding the withdrawal of restrictions on the export—

over.

q. foodstuffs I am directed
to state that the Arabian restrictions
embargo on the ~~meat~~ export
~~meat~~ of ~~hurricane~~ cyprus the State
been removed from 1st
Dec 1919

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Secretary

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In Reply Refer to
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DIARY NO.
OFFICE OF THE FOOD CONTROLLER AND DIRECTOR OF CIVIL SUPPLIES IN MYSORE.
Bangalore, 2nd December 1919.
10-24-19

Tele-Address.
"CIVISUP"

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.
POLITICAL BRANCH.
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From

K. MATTHAN, Esq., B. A.
Food Controller & Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary tothe Government of Mysore.

Sir,

In submitting herewith a cutting from the "Madras Mail" of the 28th ultimo, regarding removal of restrictions on the import of wheat and Bengal gram from all places in India except the Punjab and the United Provinces, I have the honour to state that I have not received a copy of this officially from the Deputy Foodstuffs Commissioner, Delhi, but the information contained in the communique is confirmed by a letter I have received from the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay, of which I beg to enclose a copy.

2. In pursuance of this, I have issued the accompanying notice for the information of the public.

3. As we have yet to get in sufficient stocks of wheat and Bengal gram, it is desirable to retain the embargo on the export of these commodities from the State for one month more and remove the restrictions with effect from the 1st January 1920.

4. As navane is a very minor food crop, I beg to recommend that the prohibition against the export of navane may now be removed, as has been done in the case of horsegram and other pulses. If this is sanctioned

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sanctioned the only commoditics that would remain in the controlled list would be paddy, rice, ragi and jola.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Food Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies

MPH.

Extract from Madras Mail dated the 28th November 1919

A press communique says:- The Government of India have already announced that it is not yet possible to remove the restrictions on the movements of Food Grains into and from Beluchistan and the North West Frontier Province, and they have now decided that railway priority certificates must be retained for some time longer to authorise export by rail of wheat and gram from the Punjab and the United Provinces to other Provinces. Subject to the above exception, all restriction on the movements of wheat and gram will be removed on and after the 1st December.

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Letter No.9585 D.C.S. dated 29th November 1919 from the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay, to the Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore, Bangalore.

I have the honour to call your attention to the recent Press Note of the Government of India removing the restrictings on the booking of wheat and gram except from the Punjab and United Provinces and to enquire whether the restrictions in your State have been withdrawn by now.

Copy.

Office of the Director of
Civil Supplies in Mysore
Dated Bangalore 2nd December
1919

Notice

The attention of the Public is invited to the recent press communique issued by the Government of India releasing the restrictions on the working of wheat and Bengal gram. These commodities can now be freely imported into the State without Import Certificates from the Ports of India except the Punjab and the United Provinces Imports from the Punjab and the United Provinces are allowed only to the extent of the allotments sanctioned by the Government of India and for these Import Certificates will still be necessary.

For the month of December 1919 the allotments sanctioned are 2000 tons of wheat and 1000 tons of Bengal gram from the Punjab. There is no allotment from the United Provinces.

K. Subba Rao
Joint Controller and Director of Civil
Supplies in Mysore

To
1) All Deputy Commissioners
2) The Comptroller Mysore Gazette for favour of publication
in the next issue of Mysore Gazette
3) 5 Editors of Newspapers
4) The collector of Customs
5) The President of Bangalore and Mysore Municipalities
6) Copy to Notice Board

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By order of the Hon'ble
Civil Supplies

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G 13980
dy 18/12/19

The Govt of H.H. the Maharaja are pleased to direct that the existing prohibitions & restrictions for the export of wheat bengal gram and Navane (Italian millet) across the State either by road or by rail shall be withdrawn with effect from the 1st Jan 1920 & that the orders issued in the following notifications so far as these articles are concerned shall

be cancelled with effect
from that date

Notn no G 1745-87/P-P 134-18-G
15-2-19

& Notn no. G 7 920/P-P 26-19-28
G 24-9-19

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CSD 9/10/19
Chief Secy
15/10/19

To The Compiler Mysore Gazette

Copy to G 13981-94
1) The Revenue 9/10/19
2) The Dy Commr
3) The Tr & Dr of CS
4) The Presidents, Blue &
Mysore Agy Mc Committees
5) The Dy Comrs of Dts
6) The Asst, Mysore Rep-

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Section P 2619
File No. 65
Serial No.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT
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No. Pol 682

Date of issue R 23rd Dec 19 To The A. Resident

Signed by Mr C.S.B. Iyer

Sir,

In conti of the Cor-
-respondence ending with
my letr no. Pol 607 of 3rd Dec 19
I am directed to state that
the restrictions on the Expar
of Wheat bengal gram &
Navane (Italian millet)
outside the state will be
removed from the 1st Jan 1920
I have the

Recd 23 DEC 1919

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No. 8638 / Ful

Office of the Food Controller and Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore,

Bangalore, 25th December 1919.

From

A. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,

Food Controller & Director

of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit herewith for the information of Government a copy of telegram No.1195/FS dated the 23rd instant received from the Deputy Foodstuffs Commissioner for India, Delhi, to-day.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Food Controller & Director
of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

MPH.

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Telegram No. 1195/FS dated the 23rd December 1919 from the Deputy Foodstuffs Commissioner for India, Delhi, to the Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

1195/FS Government of India have decided that present restrictions on inter-provincial movements of rice by rail will be continued for the present stop. The position will be reconciled next month but restrictions will not be removed before end of January Nineteen twenty.

(scc)

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Notification

In modification of Govt Notn no G 12526/F.P 26-19-55 dt 27th Nov 1919 and in exercise of the powers vested in Govt under Sub. rule (2)(d) of Rule 3B of the Rules issued under the Defence of India Regn I of 1918, Govt are pleased to direct that horse gram

G 15436/F.P 26-19-73 dt 9-1-20

shall not be exported
outside the state
except under licenses
by
issued ~~by~~ the officers
noted below

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The Supdt of C.S in Mysore } - in the case of exports by rail

The Dy Comr of the Distt from where the Export is made a Police officer authorized by him } in the case of exports by road

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Bo Chief Secy 9-1-20

To The Compiler, Mysore Gazette
15437-515 dt 9/1/20

Copy to 1) the Revenue Secy 5) the Agent Mysore Rep
2) the Dy of Police
3) the Food Controller + 6) Adl Dy Comrs Bangalore
4) Dy Comrs of Districts + Residents Bangalore & Mysore City & Cantonments

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Pol 736 Encl 1

dated 10th Jan 1920

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To

The H. A. R.

Sir,

I am Continuation of my letter No Pol. 607 of 30 Dec 19 re. the control over horse intimating that the control over horse exports from this State has been withdrawn with effect from 1st Dec 19

I am directed to state that owing to the phenomenal rise in the price of foreign grain of late and the great depletion of stocks of this grain in this State within the last fortnight, the Govt of H. the Maharaja have found it necessary to reimpose in respect of it the restrictions that existed prior to 1st Dec 1919.

2 A Copy of notification No 1543 G/P 29-73 19-1-20 dated has issued in this behalf is enclosed for reference.

I have etc

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DIARY NO. 176861

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT
9 JAN 1920
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FROM

MAJOR C. T. C. PLOWDEN, I. A.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 8th January *19* 20

SIR.

I am directed to state that the Government of India have decided that the present restrictions on inter-provincial movements of rice by rail will be continued for the present and that the position will be reconsidered this month. The restrictions will not, however, be removed before the end of January 1920.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

First Assistant Resident.

I.S.